

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence that comprises at least 24 contiguous 5 nucleotides from SEQ ID NO:1.
2. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence that:
  - (a) encodes the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ 10 ID NO:2; and
  - (b) hybridizes under stringent conditions to the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 or the complement thereof.
3. An isolated nucleic acid molecule according to Claim 1, wherein said molecule is a cDNA.
4. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence that encodes the amino acid sequence drawn from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:2 and SEQ ID NO:4.
5. An isolated expression vector comprising the nucleotide sequence drawn from the group consisting of SEQ 25 ID NO:1 and SEQ ID NO:3.